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SUBJECT: COSTS OF VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

1. EMBASSY GUATEMALA MOTOR POOL RESPONSIBLE FOR
28 VEHICLES AS FOLLOWS:

SEDANS:

4 EA. 1969 (3 EA. CHEV. AND 1 FORD)

2 EA. 1968 (2 EA. CHEV.)

6 EA. 1971 (6 EA. CHEV.)

2 EA. 1972 (2 EA. FORD)

2 EA. 1973 (1 EA. CHEV. & 1 EA. DODGE)

1 EA. 1974 (CHEV.)

1 EA. 1975 (CHEV.)

STATION WAGONS:

1 EA. 1971 (CHEV.) 1 EA. 1972 (FORD).

1 EA. 1973 (PLYMOUTH) AND 1 EA. 1975 (PLYMOUTH).

JEEP WAGONEERS:

1 EA. 1973 AND 1 EA. 1975.

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CARRYALLS:

1 EA. 1973 (INTERNATIONAL) AND 2 EA. 1976 (CHEVROLET).

VANS:

1 EA. 1974 (DODGE)

2. ESTIMATED MAINTENANCE COSTS:

YEAR	MPG	AVG. YR PARTS	AVG. COST ESTIMATED	MILEAGE
1968 SEDAN	7.6	265.00	.15	11,000
1969 SEDAN	7.8	225.00	.12	11,000
1971 SEDAN	8.1	175.00	.11	11,000
1972 SEDAN	9.2	125.00	.13	12,000
1973, 1974 &				
1975 SEDANS	10.0	125.00	.13	8,000

STATIONWAGONS

(ALL)	8.0	175.00	.15	10,000
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WAGONEERS

(ALL)	8.9	400.00	.25	7,000
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CARRYALLS

(ALL)	8.5	300.00	.18	12,000
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VAN	7.9	100.00	.15	5,000
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3. AVERAGE COST PER MILE PER VEHICLE DOES NOT
INCLUDE \$5,363 PAID TO MECHANIC NOR DRIVERS
SALARIES, OR SALARIES OF DESPATCHER AND ASSISTANT.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. GAS ISSUANCE: HAVE GAS PUMP OPEN ONLY FOR CERTAIN
HOURS DURING WORKING DAY, I.E., 8 TO 10 AND 3 TO 5.
HAVE ONLY ONE INDIVIDUAL PUMP GAS AND HE SHOULD WORK
FOR THE GSO AND NOT DESPATCHER. MAKE DRIVER SIGN ALL
RECEIPTS AND SHOW MILEAGE AT TIME OF FILL-UP. INSURE
ALL VEHICLES ARE TOPPED EVERY EVENING BEFORE CLOSING
TIME.

B. REPAIRS: IF EMBASSY PRESENTLY REPAIRING VEHICLES
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THROUGH LOCAL GARAGE, CONTRACT SHOULD BE CANCELED
AND PERHAPS NO-PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACT, ADMINISTERED
BY GSO, BE CONSIDERED. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER
STOCKING SPARE PARTS (WITH CONTROLS) WHICH HAVE FREQUENT USAGE,
I.E., FILTERS, SPARKPLUGS, SHOCKS, ETC.

5. IT HAS BEEN GSO'S EXPERIENCE THAT WITH EMBASSY
EMPLOYEES DOING REPAIR WORK ON VEHICLES, MAINTAINING

AD ADEQUATE STOCK OF SPARE PARTS, KEEPING CONSTANT WATCH
ON GASOLINE ISSUANCE, AND INSURING THAT DESPATCHER HAS
PROPER ASSISTANCE TO KEEP RECORDS UP TO DATE, VEHICLE
EXPENSES CAN BE REDUCED BY 75 TO 100 PERCENT.
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